BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2006-350-T - ORDER NO. 2007-343

MAY 16, 2007

IN RE: Application of A-1 Moving Systems, Inc.,
200 B Purrysburg Road, Hardeeville, South
Carolina 29927 for a Class E (Household
Goods) Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity for Operation of Motor
Vehicle Carrier

ORDER GRANTING
CLASS "E" MOTOR
CARRIER CERTIFICATE
OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY

This proceeding before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") arises under the authority of S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-23-210, 58-23-260, and 58-23-330 and is governed by 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-130 through 103-134, and 103-821. The purpose of this proceeding is to consider the Application of A-1 Moving Systems, Inc. ("A-1," or the "Applicant"), seeking a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, as defined by 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-210(1), for statewide authority to move household goods. A-1 filed its application on November 8, 2006. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Regs. 103-821(C)(3)(a), in support its application, A-1 published notice of filing in *The Beaufort Gazette* newspaper on November 23, 2006, and in *The State* newspaper on December 9, 2006. No Petitions to Intervene or Protests have been received.

A hearing on the Application was held on April 26, 2007, in the offices of the Commission. A-1 was represented by Mills Morrison, Jr., Esquire. Ken Driggers, president of A-1, appeared on the company's behalf with Mark Snyder acting as A-1's

shipper witness. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") was represented by Wendy Cartledge, Esquire, with George Parker, Manager of its Transportation Department, acting as ORS's witness.

At the hearing, Driggers testified that A-1 is a full service moving and storage company affiliated with Allied Van Lines and has seventeen employees. In his Application, he seeks statewide authority to operate but testified that he will primarily serve Allendale, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, and Jasper Counties. In addition, Driggers testified that A-1 owns eleven trucks, and the record shows that he meets the Commission's insurance requirements. He further stated both that A-1 has received a satisfactory rating from the State Transportation Police and that the company has no judgments against it. Coupled with Driggers's testimony, Mark Snyder, a realtor in Jasper County, testified to the growth of the southeastern part of the State and the need for additional movers.

George Parker, testifying for ORS, stated that the Application was in order. Parker also stated that he conducted an inspection of Driggers's facility and vehicles and found no deficiencies. He further testified that he has no other concerns about whether the Applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform as a mover of household goods.

The Commission agrees with ORS and finds the Application to be in order. Furthermore, we conclude that the Applicant has demonstrated that it is fit, willing, and able to operate as a household goods mover between points and places in South Carolina pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-23-330 (Supp. 2006) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-133 (Supp. 2006), and that the public convenience and necessity is not already being

served by existing authorized service. Therefore, A-1's Application for statewide authority should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Application of A-1 Moving Systems, Inc. for a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be, and hereby is, approved for the Applicant to transport household goods between points and places in South Carolina.
- 2. The Company shall file with the Office of Regulatory Staff the proper insurance, safety rating, and other information required by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and by 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-100 through 103-241 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, and 23A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 38-400 through 38-503 of the Department of Public Safety's Rules and Regulations for Motor Carriers, as amended, within sixty (60) days of the date of this Order, or within such additional time as may be authorized by the Commission.
- 3. Upon compliance with S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-23-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended, and the applicable Regulations for Motor Carriers, S.C. Code Ann. Regs. Vol. 26 (1976), as amended, a Certificate shall be issued by the Office of Regulatory Staff authorizing the motor carrier services granted herein.
- 4 Prior to compliance with the above-referenced requirements and receipt of a Certificate, the motor carrier services authorized herein shall not be provided.
- 5. Failure of the Applicant either (1) to complete the certification process by complying with the Office of Regulatory Staff requirements of causing to be filed with the Commission proof of appropriate insurance and an acceptable safety rating within

sixty (60) days of the date of this Order or (2) to request and obtain from the Commission

additional time to comply with the requirements of the Commission as stated above, may

result in the authorization approved in the Order being revoked.

6. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the

Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

Robert C. Moseley, Vice Chairman

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